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Sent: 8/4/2021 1:57:25 PM

To: Thill, Stephen D [SThill@idem.IN.gov]
Subject: FW: EPA meeting with Just Transitions

Attachments: Michigan City Fact Sheet-FINAL-red4.pdf; Michigan City historic fill & NE ash pond.pptx; OLEM & EPA REGION 5

AGENDA, 7-30-21.docx; NIPSCO MCGS background briefing_7 27 21_a.docx

Hi Stephen,

Below and attached are materials Ed Nam sent to Peggy Dorsey and Corey Web last Friday after a meeting with Just Transitions, EarthJustice, the Hoosier Environmental Council and US EPA senior management regarding the NIPSCO Michigan City facility. Thanks to you, Amy and John for providing us very helpful information on this site. Because the concerns raised are mostly about the historical ash fill and the wall, we were thinking it might be useful to get a better sense of what was looked at by IDEM's hazardous waste corrective action program in the site-wide evaluation. I realize this is out of your Branch (and out of my section too), but I was wondering if you might be able to help us set up a call involving both of our programs and the corrective action programs at the state and Region. Or if you'd rather I work directly with someone else at IDEM, just let me know.

If you are open to helping us schedule this, would any of the following days/times work for IDEM?

- Thursday, 8/5 at 11 ET or 3 ET
- Friday, 8/6 at 1:30 or 2:30 ET
- Monday, 8/9 at 3:30 ET
- Tuesday, 8/10 at 2 ET

Thanks and hope you enjoyed your time off last week!

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From: Nam, Ed <nam.ed@epa.gov> Sent: Friday, July 30, 2021 5:25 PM

To: Dorsey, Peggy < pdorsey@idem.IN.gov>

Cc: WEBB, COREY < CWEBB@idem.IN.gov>; Dorsey, Peggy < pdorsey@idem.IN.gov>; Harris, Michael

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Subject: RE: EPA meeting with Just Transitions

Hi Peggy, and Corey.

Adding Mike Harris too. I'm sorry that we weren't able to get an invite for you for this meeting between the Indiana NGOs and Carlton Waterhouse re: Michigan City NIPSCO CCR. I wanted to send a quick summary before I go on leave next week. The meeting was today and it was mainly a listening session. The points they made are mostly covered in the documents attached (which they sent us just prior to the meeting) and the following articles published:

- https://energynews.us/2021/07/14/amid-a-statewide-coal-ash-crisis-indiana-residents-demand-completecleanup-at-lakeside-plant/
- https://hometownnewsnow.com/local-news/576926
- https://apnews.com/article/joe-biden-canada-environment-and-nature-lakes-floodscfcd86a41ef7c5c79ccc992f90dfd90e

They were not critical of IDEM, but acknowledged a lack of resources, to which I responded that some STAG funding will likely be on its way soon. They mainly wanted EPA to take enforcement action to clean up the ash fill and said that they would get us an engineering report indicating that the sea wall needs to be replaced asap — but they really want it excavated out. Carlton wants to confer with his staff as a next step. If you would like to have a discussion about this next week (in my absence) please reach out to Scott Ireland or Tammy Moore, who are cc'd.

Have a great weekend.

-Ed

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Would it be ok if we attended? Would like to hear what they are saying but not wanting to speak.

If ok, send me the meeting invite.

Have a good weekend,

Peg

From: Nam, Ed <nam.ed@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, July 29, 2021 5:02 PM
To: Dorsey, Peggy <PDorsey@idem.IN.gov>
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Hi Peggy and Corey,

FYI: Attached is the read-ahead meeting material we developed for Carlton Waterhouse's meeting with Just Transitions. It looks like the invite list is growing pretty large for Friday's meeting where reps Earth Justice, Michigan City gov, Hoosier Environmental Council may also be calling in. They may have also invited staff from a subset of the following offices (I'm not sure):

- Indiana State Senator Karen Tallian
- IN State Representative Pat Boy
- Congressman Frank Mrvan
- Senators Braun
- Senator Young
- Illinois Congressman Mike Quigley,
- Illinois Senator Tammy Duckworth
- Congresswoman Marcia Kapatur, heads the Great Lakes Committee.
- Congressman Steve Cohen (H.R. 2396 "Ensuring the Safe Disposal of Coal Ash," now included in the "CLEAN Futures Act")

I'll let you know how the meeting goes.

-Ed

From: Dorsey, Peggy < PDorsey@idem.IN.gov>

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We have not heard from them directly but we are aware of them via the media. Thanks for the heads up.

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From: Nam, Ed <nam.ed@epa.gov>
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Peggy, Corey,

This is a heads up. I wanted to send a quick note to let you know that Just Transitions NWI has reached out to EPA at high levels re: NISPCO Michigan City CCR. I'm guessing that you have heard from them as well. We will have a listening sessions with them within the next couple of weeks (including me) and follow up with you if there are any questions regarding the closures you are working on.

Also, we are working with HQ on the CCR STAG funding and hoping that we have good news for you soon. No details yet. Thanks,

-Ed

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